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SUBJECT: VISIT TO WASHINGTON OF KENICHI FURUSAWA

- 1. LOWER HOUSE MEMBER TARO NAKAYAMA HAS REQUESTED OUR ASSISTANCE IN ARRANGING APPOINTMENT WITH "SENIOR OFFICIAL IN CHARGE OF JAPANESE AFFAIRS" FOR KENICHI FURUSAWA, WHO WILL BE VISITING WASHINGTON APRIL 12-15. FURUSAWA, FORMER EDITORIAL WRITER FOR SANKEI, IS CLOSE TO PM FUKUDA AND OTHER LEADING POLITICIANS, AND IS FREQUENT PARTICIPANT IN INFORMAL MEETINGS OF LEADING POLITICIANS AND SENIOR NEWSPAPERMEN. IN CALL ON SELIGMANN TO MAKE REQUEST IN PERSON, FURUSAWA GAVE IMPRESSION OF SERIOUS, WELL-INFORMED, COOPERATIVE JOURNALIST. RECOMMEND THAT YOU SEE HIM, IF POSSIBLE.
- 2. YOU MAY WISH TO COORDINATE WITH JAPANESE EMBASSY, WHICH IS ARRANGING OTHER APPOINTMENTS WITH CONGRESSMEN, ETC. IN WASHINGTON FURUSAWA WILL STAY AT SHERATON-CARLTON; HE LEAVES TOKYO APRIL 10. FURUSAWA SPEAKS LITTLE ENGLISH, BUT EXPECTS TO HAVE INTERPRETER PROVIDED BY HIS EMBASSY. MANSFIELD

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